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**WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON CALIFORNIA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
ESTABLISHED IN SECTIONS 54.409(a) and 54.415(a) OF THE COMMISSION'S
RULES**

PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

WC DOCKET No. 03-109

Comment Date: May 15, 2005
Reply Comment Date: May 23, 2005

On March 22, 2005, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) filed a Request for an Extension of Time to comply with sections 54.409(a) and 54.415(a) of the Commission's rules.¹ Under sections 54.409(a) and 54.415(a), states seeking reimbursement from the federal Lifeline/Link-Up program must comply with certain requirements by June 22, 2005.² CPUC seeks an extension until March 1, 2006 to come into compliance.³

We invite comment on CPUC's Request for an Extension of Time. Pursuant to applicable procedures set forth in sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, interested parties may file comments on or before **May 15, 2005**; and reply comments on or before **May 23, 2005**. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. See *Electronic filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 Fed. Reg. 24121 (1998).

Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. If multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, however, commenters must transmit one electronic copy of the comments to each

¹ *Request of the California Public Utilities Commission for an Extension of Time*, filed March 22, 2005.

² 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.409(a), 54.425(a) (Office of Management and Budget approval under *Paperwork Reduction Act* pending).

³ *Request of the California Public Utilities Commission for an Extension of Time*, at 2.

docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to <ecfs@fcc.gov>, and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply.

Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, commenters must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number. Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail).

The Commission's contractor, Natek, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building.

Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20554. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Marlene H. Dortch, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

Parties also must send three paper copies of their filing to Sheryl Todd, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-B540, Washington, D.C. 20554. In addition, commenters must send diskette copies to the Commission's copy contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20054.

Pursuant to section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, this proceeding will be conducted as a permit-but-disclose proceeding in which ex parte communications are permitted subject to disclosure.

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